

**Request for Deferral of Examination 37 CFR 1.103(d)**

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| Application Number   | Not Yet Assigned           | Art Unit               | Not Yet Assigned |
| Filing Date          | Concurrently Herewith      | Examiner Name          | Not Yet Assigned |
| First Named Inventor | Francisco Javier Vila Pahi | Attorney Docket Number | 68970-235077     |

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I hereby request deferral of examination under 37 CFR 1.103(d) for the above-identified (non-reissue) utility or plant application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) for a period of 36 months (maximum 3 years), from the earliest filing date for which a benefit is claimed. Deferral of examination under 37 CFR 1.103(d) is suspension of action. As a result, any patent term adjustment may be reduced. See 37 CFR 1.704(c)(1).

**Note:** The request will not be granted unless the application is in condition for publication as provided in 37 CFR 1.211(c) and the Office has not issued either an Office action under 35 U.S.C. 132 or a notice of allowance under 35 U.S.C. 151.

If applicant previously filed a nonpublication request under 37 CFR 1.213(a):

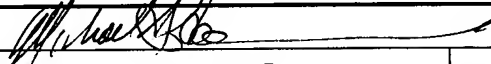
☐ I hereby rescind under 37 CFR 1.213(b) the previous filed request that the above-identified application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

**Note:** Application will be scheduled for publication at 18 months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed.

**Fees**

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayment, to  
Deposit Account No. 22-0261. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this form for fee processing.
- i. ☒ Processing fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i) for request for deferral of examination (\$130.00).
- ii. ☒ Publication fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d) (\$300.00).
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 is enclosed).

**Note:** The publication fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d) and the processing fee in 37 CFR 1.17(i) for deferral of examination are required when the request for deferral of examination is filed.

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| Signature   |  | Date                | <u>August 23, 2006</u> |
| Name (Print/Type)   | Michael A. Sartori, Ph.D.   | Registration Number | 41,289                 |
| <b>Note:</b> Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms for more than one signature, see below. |   |                     |                        |
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